

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

IN RE:

PACER FEES

INCREASE

Notice Regarding Increase in PACER Fees

The Judicial Conference, at its September 21, 2004 session, amended the language of Section I of the Electronic Public Access Fee Schedule for the appellate, district, and bankruptcy courts, the United States Court of Federal Claims, and the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation (adopted by the Judicial Conference pursuant to sections 1913, 1914, 1926, 1930, and 1932 of Title 28, United States Code).

The amendment increases the PACER (Public Access to Court Electronic Records) Internet access fee from seven cents per page to eight cents per page. The fee increase will be effective on January 1, 2005.

This increase is predicated upon Congressional guidance that the judiciary is expected to use PACER fee revenue to fund CM/ECF (Case Management/ Electronic Case Filing) operations and maintenance. The fee increase will enable the judiciary to continue to fully fund the Electronic Public Access Program, in addition to CM/ECF implementation costs until the system is fully deployed throughout the judiciary and its currently defined operations and maintenance costs thereafter.

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